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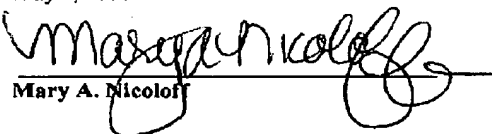
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

In response to the office action mailed on February 7, 2006, please amend the above-identified patent application without prejudice as follows: